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NEW DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No.: 4633/DIV of 4467

Inventor: Keiichi KURAMOTO et al.

Title: ORGANIC-INORGANIC COMPOSITE MATERIAL

AND LAMINATE, OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE AND LIGHT TRANSMISSION STRUCTURE COMPRISING THE SAME

Prior Application Serial No.: 10/346,340

Prior Application Filing Date: January 16, 2003

Dear Sir:

- I am enclosing for filing a NEW DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION, 1) under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), §120 and §121, and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), 1.63(d) and 1.78(a), of the above identified Prior Application, comprising:
 - a new specification including $\underline{37}$ consecutive pages of written description, 6 consecutive pages with 27 claims (2 independent), and an abstract on 1 page;
 - formal Drawings corresponding to those filed in the Prior b) Application, including 7 sheets with 18 Figs.;
 - a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney as C) originally filed in the Prior Application;
 - d) a copy of the executed Supplemental Declaration as filed in the Prior Application;
 - e) Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 (copies of the cited references AA to AF are available in the official file of the Prior Application and need not be resubmitted herein);
 - f) a Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) for \$896.00 to cover the filing fee; and
 - a return receipt postcard. g)

2) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee that may be required, or any deficiency in fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0507.

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- The new specification for the present Divisional Application is based on the original specification of the Prior Application with the following revisions: a Cross-Reference to Related Application has been inserted on page 1; the Title and the Abstract have been revised to better reflect the invention claimed in this Divisional Application; the written description incorporates the editorial revisions of the Amendment filed on November 4, 2003 in the Prior Application and a few additional editorial revisions; and present new claims 1 to 27 are directed to the product invention of claims 6 to 20 of the Prior Application. The product invention is being divided out of the Prior Application in response to the Restriction Requirement made by telephone on May 20, 2003 and repeated in the Office Action of June 4, 2003.
- 4) The new specification and the formal drawings for this Divisional Application include no matter that would have been new matter in the Prior Application, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d).
- 5) The entirety of the disclosure of the Prior Application is incorporated by reference into the present Divisional Application.
- The present new specification is supported by the original Declaration executed by the inventors on January 10 and 11, 2003, and the Supplemental Declaration executed by the inventors on February 17 and 19, 2003 in the Prior Application. Copies of those Declarations are enclosed.
- 7) The inventors in the present Divisional Application are the same inventors as in the Prior Application.

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- The present Divisional Application claims the benefit of the filing date of the Prior Application under 35 U.S.C. §120 and §121. Through the Prior Application, this Divisional Application also claims the foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 of Japanese Patent Applications 9994/2002, filed on January 18, 2002; 22744/2002, filed on January 31, 2002; and 381185/2002 filed on December 27, 2002. The certified copies of the priority documents were filed in the Prior Application.
- 9) The present Divisional Application is assigned of record to: SANYO ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

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by an Assignment recorded at Reel/Frame 013679/0762 on January 16, 2003 in the Prior Application.

- 10) The Power of Attorney in the prior application was included in the original executed Declaration (of which a copy is enclosed), and appoints the attorneys and agents associated with USPTO Customer No. 021553. The attorneys of record to be recognized for the present Divisional Application are all attorneys and agents associated with USPTO Customer No. 021553.
- 11) Please address all future communications to: USPTO CUSTOMER NO. 021553

Respectfully submitted,

<u>Keiichi KURAMOTO et al.</u> Applicant

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